Refusal to Play National Anthem

4028. KUMARI DIPIKA CHIKHLIA:
DR. RAMESH CHAND TOMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Union Government has been drawn to a newsitem appearing in the Organiser of October 27, 1991 regarding refusal to play National Andhem;

(b) if so, the facts of the case;

(c) the reaction of the Union Government thereto; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Union Government to check recurrence of such incidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (d). The facts have been called for from the Government of Kerala and will be placed on the Table of the House.

[*Translation*]

Public Call Offices in Uttar Pradesh

4029. DR. MAHADEEPAK SINGH SHAKYA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts without Public Call Offices in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the time by which these are likely to be provided with telephones?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) All districts in Uttar Pradesh have been provided with Public Call Offices.

(b) and (c). Question does not arise in view of (a) above.

Telephone Connections from Shahdara Exchange, Delhi

4030. DR. MAHADEEPAK SINGH SHAKYA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of connections sanctioned from Shahdara, Delhi exchange No. 228 during 1990-91;

(b) whether the said connections have not been provided so far;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the action being taken by the Government in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b). Release Orders (OBs) for a total of 3688 new telephone connections were issued in Shahdara Level 228 Exchange during 1990-91. Of these 357 OBs are pending as on date.

(c) These Work Orders are pending for execution due to the following reasons:

(1) Some of the areas are technically non-feasible, mostly, on account of non-availability of cable pairs.

(2) Some pockets fall under Yamuna Vihar Exchange area for which an Electronic Exchange is likely to be commissioned by June, 1992.